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To the members of MLA:

At its February meeting, the Executive Board of M.L.A. voted to have all pertinent information concerning the spring meeting of the Association, combined in a special issue of *Maryland Libraries* and mailed to the membership. This means only one mailing is necessary instead of three, and you will have all of the information at one time in an easy to handle format.

Please note carefully the following:—

1. In the winter issue of *Maryland Libraries* it was announced that the annual meeting would be held at the Emerson Hotel. Plans have been changed and the meeting will **not** be at the Emerson, but instead, at the **Lord Baltimore** on April 25th and 26th.

2. **The constitution and by-laws.** This revised constitution has been approved by the Executive Board and will be presented to the membership for their approval at the annual business meeting.

3. **The program.** The committee requests that you fill in the reservations for luncheon and dinner and return them.

4. **Nominees for the offices to be filled.** The ballot is included in this issue. Please check your choice for the three offices to be filled, and mail the ballots as soon as possible.

5. **The Auction.** Check through your own library, ask your friends to check through theirs, and send your contributions to the auction. Then come and bid on whatever strikes your fancy.

6. **Exhibits.** There will be a number of exhibitors again this year, and their representatives will look forward to having you stop and see their wares.

Do plan to be at the Lord Baltimore on April 25th and 26th. If you can't attend both days, come for as long as you can. Our program committee has planned an interesting meeting as you can see.

Dorothy W. Reeder

President

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Maryland Library Association

Revised Constitution and By-Laws as approved by the Executive Board
on February 24, 1958

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ARTICLE I—NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Maryland Library Association.

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to promote and develop library interest and the profession of librarianship in the State of Maryland.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.—MEMBERS. Any person, library, or other institution or organization interested in the purpose of the Association may become a member upon the payment of the prescribed dues.

Section 2.—CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP:

a. Individual members—persons joining as individuals shall be entitled to vote at all meetings, to hold office, to affiliate with a Division, and to receive the Journal of the Association.

b. Institutional members—libraries, other institutions and organizations joining as institutions shall have all privileges of individual membership, in the *person* of a designated representative and shall be entitled to receive one subscription to the Association's Journal for each \$5.00 of dues paid, provided that such additional subscriptions are requested in writing at the time of payment of dues.

c. Honorary members—such persons as the Association may desire to honor for unusual contributions in furthering the purpose of the Association in the State. Nominations may be made by the Executive Board at any meeting of the Association and the election ratified by a two-third vote of the membership at the annual business meeting. Honorary members are elected for life and shall pay no dues. They shall be entitled to all privileges of individual membership except the right to vote and to hold elective office.

d. Retired members—individuals who have had the status of an individual member of the Association for ten (10) years immediately prior to retirement from his position by reason of age or health may upon written application become a retired member. Retired members shall pay no dues and shall have all privileges of individual membership except the right to vote and to hold elective office.

Section 3.—DUES:

a. Determination. Dues shall be determined by the Executive Board, subject to ratification by a two-third vote of the members present and voting at any annual business meeting of the Association; provided, further that written or printed notice of the proposed changes shall be given to all voting members at least thirty (30) days in advance of the meeting at which such action is to be considered.

b. Membership year. The membership year shall be the calendar year and dues are payable to the Treasurer annually on January 1. New members joining after November 1 shall have their dues apply to the following calendar year.

c. Unpaid dues. Members whose dues are unpaid after March 1 and who shall continue such delinquency for one month after notice of the same shall be dropped from membership. Reinstatement may be made upon payment of dues for the current year.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1.—OFFICERS. The officers of the Association shall be a president, a president-elect, who shall serve as first vice-president, a second vice-president, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, and a treasurer. The president-elect and the second vice-president shall be elected at the annual business meeting for the term of one year. The recording secretary shall be elected for the term of two years at the annual business meeting in the even numbered years. The corresponding secretary and the treasurer shall be elected for the term of two years at the annual business meeting in the odd numbered years. The corresponding secretary and the treasurer shall be elected for the term of two years at the annual business meeting in the odd numbered years.

Section 2.—DUTIES. The officers of the Association shall perform the usual duties of their respective offices as outlined in the Association's Manual and such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive Board.

Section 3.—TERMS OF OFFICE. All officers shall serve until the adjournment of the last session of the meeting at which their successors are chosen.

ARTICLE V—EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1.—The Executive Board shall consist of the Officers of the Association and the immediate past president.

Section 2.—The Executive Board shall constitute the managing board of the Association. As such it shall have the power and authority to carry out the policies of the Association as determined at the annual business meeting and to conduct the business of the Association. Custody of all property of the Association shall be vested in the Executive Board. It shall also have the power and authority to formulate and promulgate policies for the Association between meetings, subject to the approval of the Association as may be necessary and as may be sought by mail ballot.

Section 3.—Any vacancy occurring in the Executive Board by reason of resignation or death may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Board, except in the case of the President, when the President-Elect shall automatically assume the duties of the President. Appointees shall serve until the next annual meeting.

Section 4.—A majority of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VI—ADVISORY COUNCIL

Section 1.—The chairmen of standing committees, division chairmen, and as many councilors as the American Library Association will certify and have been elected by the Association membership to serve as A.L.A. Councilors, shall constitute an Advisory Council to the Executive Board.

Section 2.—The members of the Advisory Council shall have the privilege of attending and participating in all meetings of the Executive Board, except executive sessions, but shall not have the right to vote.

ARTICLE VII—COMMITTEES

Section 1.—STANDING COMMITTEES: The President, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, shall appoint the chairmen and members of all

standing committees as outlined in the Association's Manual. These committees shall consist of no fewer than three members. Standing Committees shall be appointed for one year, their terms ending following the adjournment of the annual business meeting.

Section 2.—SPECIAL COMMITTEES: The President, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, may appoint such special committees as he deems necessary to perform such duties as may be assigned by the Executive Board. The term of appointment shall normally end with the adjournment of the annual business meeting, but the Committee may be continued at the discretion of the President and the Executive Board.

Section 3.—SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS: The President, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, shall make such special appointments as are deemed necessary for the performance of specific duties as determined by the Executive Board. Such an appointment shall terminate with the completion of the assignment or at the adjournment of the annual business meeting.

Section 4.—The duties of the above committees shall be as described in the Association's Manual and/or as may be assigned by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII—DIVISIONS

Section 1.—ESTABLISHMENT: The Executive Board may authorize the establishment of Divisions relating to definite interests actively represented in the Association, upon the written petition of twenty-five (25) or more voting members engaged in the work of each proposed Division.

Section 2.—GOVERNMENT: Divisions shall have the privilege of electing officers and of drafting rules for their government not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-laws of the Association. They shall also have the right to subdivide into sections. The Chairman of each Division shall be a member of the Advisory Council. The Divisions may not speak for the Association nor commit it to any policy or action. Division Chairmen shall report annually on the activities of the Division to the Association, such reports to be presented in writing.

Section 3.—DISCONTINUANCE: The Executive Board may recommend to the Association the discontinuance of a Division when, in its opinion and after consultation with the governing body of the Division, the usefulness of that Division has ceased.

ARTICLE IX—MEETINGS

Section 1.—All meetings of the Association shall be held at the time and place determined by the Executive Board.

- a. ANNUAL: There shall be an annual business meeting, open to Association members only, at a time and place determined by the Executive Board to transact the Association's business.
- b. SPECIAL: Special meetings may be called by the Executive Board for the purpose of transacting extraordinary business of the Association, such meetings to be open to members of the Association only.
- c. REGIONAL: Regional meetings may be held at the time and place determined by the Executive Board. No business of the Association shall be transacted at such a meeting.
- d. EXECUTIVE BOARD: Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held at least once every two months except July and August, on call of the President.

Section 2.—QUORUM: At any meeting of the Association for the transaction of business, one-eighth of the total membership shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3.—MAIL VOTE: Mail votes may be authorized by the Executive Board between meetings when in its discretion such action is warranted. For such mail votes fifty percent (50%) of the voting membership shall constitute a quorum and a two-thirds majority of those voting shall be required to carry. The Executive Board shall have the authority to set the time limit during which such votes will be accepted and mechanics of the balloting.

ARTICLE X—NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1.—COMMITTEE: The President, with the approval of the Executive Board, shall appoint a Nominations and Elections Committee, no one of whom shall be a member of the Executive Board, to nominate candidates for elective office for the next succeeding election. Said Committee shall also have charge of the conduct of the annual election and the counting and tabulations of all votes cast.

Section 2.—CANDIDATES: Two candidates for each of the elective offices shall be presented. Names of candidates, together with their written acceptances, shall be presented by the Committee to the Executive Board not later than two months before the annual meeting. The Board shall cause these nominations to be printed in the first issue of the Journal following this date and/or make suitable provisions for informing the membership.

Section 3.—ELECTIONS: The Committee shall prepare an Official Ballot which shall include the professional position and business address of each nominee. The Ballot shall be mailed either separately or as part of the Association's Journal to each member at least thirty (30) days before the annual business meeting of the Association. Ballots shall be marked, sealed and returned in separate envelopes to the Committee Chairman. Ballots to be accepted and counted must be postmarked not later than ten (10) days prior to the date of the annual business meeting. The candidate for each office receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected and shall be reported at the business session of the annual meeting of the Association by the Committee Chairman. In case of a tie vote, the successful candidate shall be determined by a majority vote of the members present and voting in the annual business meeting. Terms of office shall begin after the last session of the annual meeting. Tally sheets showing the number of ballots mailed, the number returned, and the tabulation of the vote shall be kept in the Association's archives.

ARTICLE XI—ASSOCIATION MANUAL

There shall be an Association Manual outlining duties and procedures for officers, committees, etc., to be revised regularly as needed.

ARTICLE XII—PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order (Revised) in the latest available edition shall govern the Association in all cases to which it can be applied and not covered by this Constitution and By-laws.

ARTICLE XIII—AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and By-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at any annual business meeting, notice of the proposed change having been published at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual business meeting.

Report of the Nominations and Elections Committee **1957 - 1958**

The NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE presents to the Executive Board the following candidates for office, all of whom have accepted the nomination.

First Vice-President and President-Elect

JANET STEVENS

Branch Librarian

Branch 17, Enoch Pratt Free Library
Baltimore

Mrs. MARY A. DULANY

Librarian

Montgomery County Library
Bethesda

Second Vice-President

EDWARD H. FENNER

Head, Business and Economics

Enoch Pratt Free Library
Baltimore

ALICE ROBINSON

Supervisor, Library Service

Frederick County Board of Education
Frederick

Recording Secretary

MADELINE EVERS

Adult Services Librarian

Prince George's County Memorial
Library
Bladensburg

HOWARD H. BORTHWICK

Extension Librarian

Montgomery County Public Library
Gaithersburg

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Helen Rex Shroyer,

Chairman

Howard Rovelstad

Mrs. Marion Stewart

MLA Nominations and
Elections Committee

Proposed Dues Scale

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

Librarians with salaries:

Up to \$2,000.....	\$2.00
\$2,000 to \$3,999	3.00
\$4,000 to \$5,999	4.00
\$6,000 and over	5.00

Others:

Trustees, librarians without salaries, Friends, and Students....	\$ 2.00
Life Members	\$100.00

~ INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Rate determined by total budget, including salaries, rent, and maintenance:

Libraries with budgets up to \$10,000.....	\$ 5.00
Libraries with budgets from \$10,001 to \$25,000.....	\$10.00
Libraries with budgets from \$25,001 to \$50,000	\$15.00
Libraries with budgets from \$50,001 to \$100,000	\$20.00
Libraries with budgets over \$100,000	\$25.00

Sustaining (institutions and organizations other than libraries)....\$25.00

MARYLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting

Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland

April 25 and 26, 1958

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY IN THE SCIENTIFIC AGE

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

9:30 A.M. *Registration* (Mezzanine)

10:30 A.M. General Session (Carnival Room)

Presiding, Mrs. Ruth S. Howard, MLA Program Committee

THE GEOPHYSICAL YEAR AND OPERATION DEEP

FREEZE—Commander Paul W. Frazier, Director, U. S. Antarctic
Project Office

12:30 P.M. Luncheon (Ball Room)

Presiding, Miss Mae Graham, MLA Program Committee

DO LIBRARIES HAVE A FUTURE?—Dr. Robert B. Downs,

Director, University of Illinois Library

3:00 P.M. Business Meeting (Carnival Room)

Presiding, Miss Dorothy W. Reeder, President, MLA

6:00 P.M. Exhibitor's reception for MLA members

7:00 P.M. Dinner (Carnival Room)

Presiding, Miss Dorothy Reeder

8:30 P.M. Auction of books, etc., proceeds to go to MLA scholarship fund

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

9:15 A.M. *Registration* (Mezzanine)

10:00 A.M. *Section Meetings* (Meeting rooms to be announced)

COLLEGE AND RESEARCH SECTION

Presiding, Miss Sarah Jones, President

Business Meeting

"Training in the Use of the Library", a panel discussion, Miss Beulah M. Davis, Moderator

"The Handbook", Miss Margaret G. Cook; "Library Training in the High School", Mrs. Clara D. Kneece; "English Department's Point of View", Dr. Jack C. Barnes

"Research in the Library" (Film)

WORK WITH ADULTS SECTION

Presiding, Miss Elizabeth Hage, President

Business and Organization Meeting

"Purposes and Interests of an Adult Services Section"—Discussion
"Finding and Organizing Information on Community Resources"—

Janet Stevens, Violet Myer, Nettie Taylor

WORK WITH CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Presiding, Mrs. Margaret Atwood

LIBRARIANS FIRST—CHILDREN'S OR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS
SECOND—Mrs. Carolyn Field, Coordinator of Work with Children,
Philadelphia Free Library.

12:30 P.M. *Luncheon* (Ballroom)

Presiding, Miss Dorothy Reeder

BOOKS WHICH INTERPRET THIS AGE—Carter Brooke Jones,
Book Critic, *Washington Star*

ADJOURNMENT

EXHIBITS—An extensive exhibit of new equipment, supplies and books will be located on the Mezzanine.

Auction

On Friday evening, April 25th, following the dinner at the Lord Baltimore Hotel there will be an AUCTION of such library materials as Autographed Books, First Editions, Prints, Original Drawings, Records, Library Supplies, and so forth. Send contributions of such materials to:

EDWARD H. FENNER
Head, Business and Economics
Enoch Pratt Free Library
400 Cathedral Street
Baltimore 1,

Or to any of the following Committee Members:

LOUISE HINKLEY
Special Services Librarian
Baltimore County Public Library
28 West Susquehanna Avenue
Towson 4

Mrs. RUTH L. HOWARD
Staff Librarian
Headquarters, 2d Army
Fort George G. Meade

JOHN PARKER
Reference Librarian
Peabody Institute Library
1 East Mt. Vernon Place
Baltimore 2

HELEN PURDUE
Librarian
Bear Creek School
Dundalk 22

The success of this auction depends on your cooperation.

Proceeds of the Auction to go to the Scholarship and Loan Fund.

Luncheon and Dinner Reservation

Maryland Library Association

Detach and return by April 21, 1958, to Miss Isobel Lunch,
 Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral St., Baltimore 1, Md.
 Annual Meeting, April 25 and 26, 1958

Please make the following reservations for me:

<i>Number</i>	<i>Meal</i>	<i>Price</i>
.....	LUNCHEON, Saturday, April 26	\$2.75
.....	DINNER (fish) Friday, April 25	\$5.00
.....	DINNER (meat) Friday, April 25	\$5.00
.....	LUNCHEON, Saturday, April 26	\$2.75

Name

Library

NOTE: The above prices include gratuities. Tickets for meal reservations may be paid for and picked up at the Conference Registration Desk on the mezzanine of the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

From (Sec. 34.66 P.L.&R.)

JOHN PARKER

Peabody Institute Library

Baltimore 2, Md.

IMPORTANT SPECIAL ISSUE

INCLUDING . . .

PROGRAM FOR ANNUAL MEETING

OFFICIAL BALLOT

PROPOSED REVISION OF CONSTITUTION

